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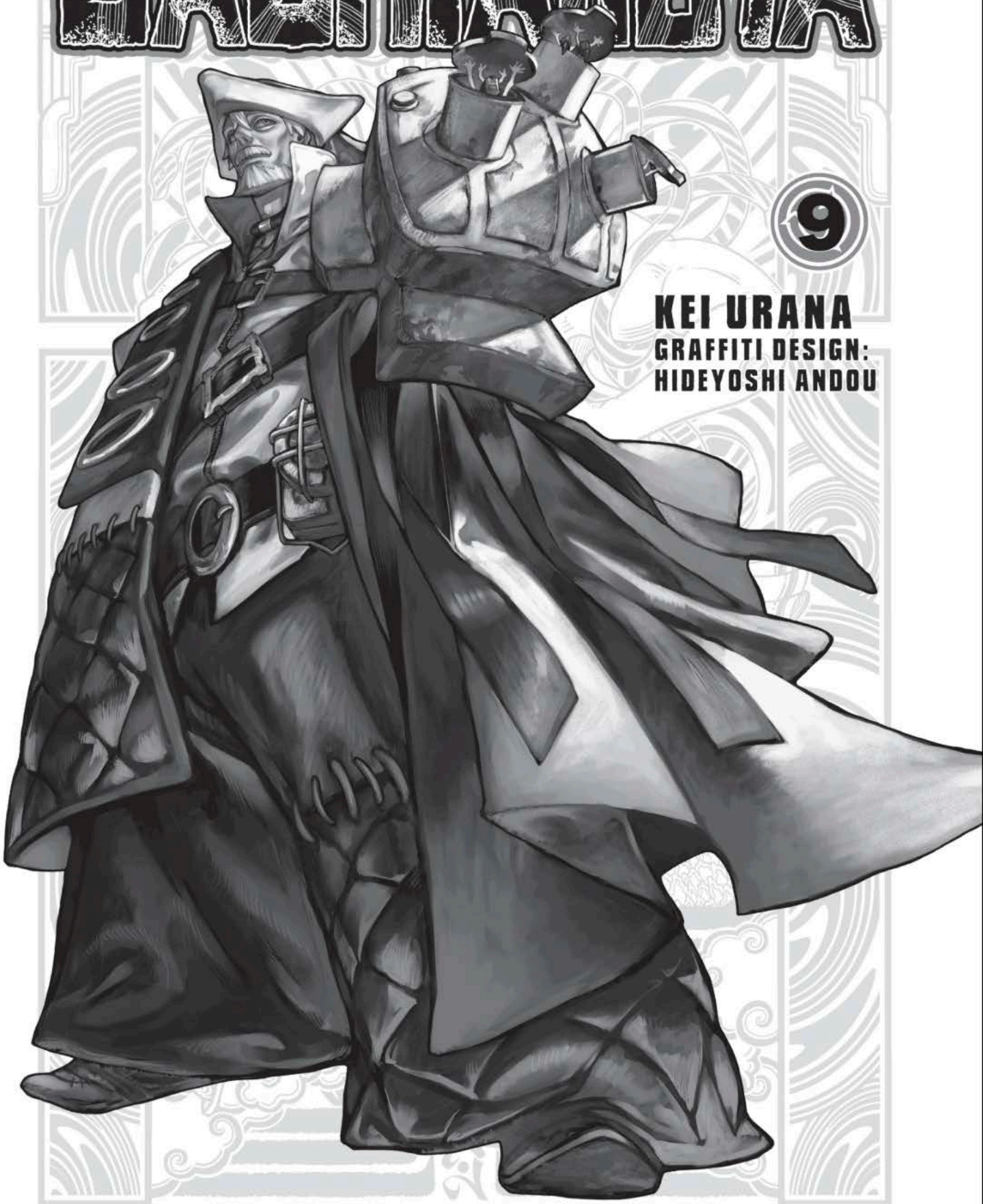

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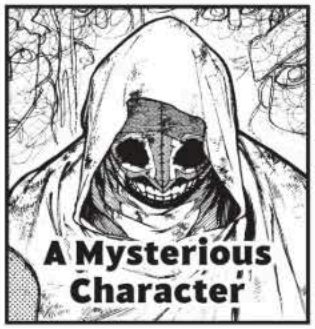


Had a brief encounter with Rudo near the scene of Regto's death and was also present at Rudo's execution.

The man who raised Rudo after he lost both his parents. He gave young Rudo a pair of beat-up old gloves to cover the injuries on his hands.

THE SPHERE

The world where Rudo used to live. It seems to always be on the move and constantly throwing its trash into the Pit. Criminals are dropped into the Pit, as well, including Rudo's father, for the crime of murder. The people who live there don't know that there are cities in the Pit, much less that people live in them.

Rudo

An orphan boy, perpetual loner, and trash picker who lived on the Sphere. He was dropped into the Pit for a crime he did not commit—the murder of Regto, the man who raised him—but was rescued by Enjin and invited to join The Cleaners. During the fight with the Raiders, Rudo awakened his Giver powers, and afterwards, The Cleaners' boss, Corvus, formally accepted him into Akuta, and he became an official member.

THE CLEANERS — An organization of trash beast exterminators

Child

Guita

A young girl who wears clothing that looks like a monster.

Bro

The supervisor of Team Child.

Akuta

Riyo

A Giver who uses her feet to masterfully wield her vital instrument: a pair of scissors called the Ripper. She used to be a contract killer, but now Enjin has forbidden her from killing anyone again.

Zanka

Rudo's trainer, the Giver with the most advanced skill at handling his vital instrument. Apparently, he's "the closest thing the ground gets to a spoiled rich kid."

Enjin

The Cleaner who discovered Rudo. A Giver. After determining that Rudo has the powers of a Giver, he recruits him into The Cleaners.

TRASH BEASTS

Created when the thoughts and feelings that have accumulated with trash convert into Anima energy and form a monster. They attack every human they see. Because they are powered by Anima, normal weapons have no effect on them. They can only be defeated by the vital instruments used by Givers.

WHAT IS A GIVER?

A Giver is someone with the ability to give an "object" life and draw out its powers. When the user of an object has treated it with love for a long time, that object is imbued with Anima. Such objects are called "vital instruments." A trash beast cannot be defeated except with a vital instrument.

RAIDERS

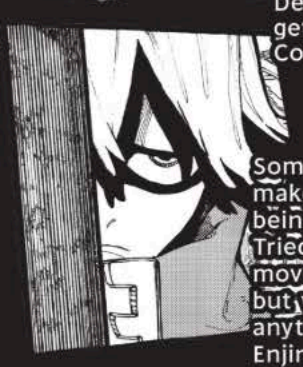
A group of ground bandits. All the members are Givers.

Noerde

She fights by combing her hair with a plastic comb, then her hair becomes electrified. She lost to Riyo.

Bundus

Proposes an information exchange between himself and Bro and Dear, so he can get his hands on Corvus's secrets.



Fu

Someone who can't make a move without being told what to do. Tried to make the first move against Enjin, but was unable to do anything because Enjin ignored him.

Jabber

He uses a vital instrument called "Mankira." The right-hand claws contain a powerful neurotoxin. He fought against the Cleaners once before, and just as he was about to finish Zanka off, he was shot down by Riyo.

Zodyl

The Raider's boss. He told Rudo about the "Watchman Series," vital instruments once wielded by a single person which consists of Rudo's gloves, Amo's boots, and Zodyl's own coat.

Cthoni

A Giver who uses a manhole. Swooped in when the seven Cleaners sprang on Zodyl, sucking them all away in a flash.

Corvus

The Cleaners' boss. He officially welcomed Rudo into The Cleaners. He seems to be curious about what it is that Semiu saw in Rudo...

Semiu

The Cleaners' receptionist. She has the power to see a person's true essence with her vital instrument—a pair of glasses—and she seems to have seen something in Rudo....

Dear

Once made a grab for Rudo's dessert.

THE PIT

Also known as "the ground." To the people who live here, this is "aboveground." Many of its residents loathe the Sphereites because their constant dumping of trash has polluted the land and created trash beasts.

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CHAPTER 68: KIDS ARE
TOUGHER THAN YOU THINK!

WHOA.

HEY, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

SUDDENLY YOU'RE READY TO PLAY!!

VITAL CLOTH! INSTRUMENT CENTRALIAN!

THAT IS REALLY QUITE CONVENIENT.

I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN!

OH, OF COURSE. I GET IT NOW. YOU'RE ALWAYS READY TO FIGHT A TRASH BEAST.

WHO'D'VE GUESSED THERE COULD BE A TRASH BEAST THIS BIG...

I WAS THOR-OUGHLY CONVINCED THAT WE WERE UNDER-GROUND.

YOU REALLY HAD ME GOING.

HOW ARE WE STILL OKAY...?

OH NO, WE'VE BEEN IN HERE WITHOUT OUR MASKS THIS WHOLE TIME.

GASP!!

ALL I CAN SAY IS THAT THIS IS A UNIQUE SPECIMEN.

I WISH I KNEW.

TMP トッ

NORMALLY, THE MORE GIGANTIC A TRASH BEAST IS, THE MORE TOXIC MATERIAL IT SPEWS OUT...

HM HM.

HM HM.

ALL RIGHT, NOW! IF WE DON'T PICK UP THE PACE A BIT...

...WE'RE ALL LITERALLY GOING UP TO HEAVEN!

HONESTLY, IT'S NOT EASY BEING A WORKING STIFF...

ALL MY QUESTIONS AND PERSONAL GOALS WILL HAVE TO WAIT...

WHAP

WHIRL

THEN I GUESS WE'LL HAVE TO CLEAN THIS UP QUICK.

WHY DID YOU TIE HIM–

GNN

?

BWOOM

DUS

?!

RAR

YOU THREW—?!

FWOOSH

OOOHHH

NO, DON'T TELL ME!

HE THINKS HE CAN PUNCH THROUGH THE WALL?!

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BAP

BAP

BAP

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BAP

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BAP BAP BAP BAP BA

I KNOW WE LOVE OUR CHILDREN, BUT WE HAVE TO TEACH THEM ABOUT REALITY...

YOU HAVE TO PUT A STOP TO THIS.

PLEASE, BRO.

BAP

BAP

BAP

BAP

...BRO...

WHAP

SHIELDING THEM FROM EVERY-THING WILL DO MORE HARM THAN GOOD...

BAP BAP BAP BAP

...IT'S THE GROWNUP THAT STOPS THEM THAT DOES THE MOST HARM, IF YOU ASK ME.

WHEN A KID IS TRYING TO MOVE FORWARD...

BAP BAM WHAM

BESIDES.

YOU GET THE CHANCE TO HEAR THE SOUNDS OF GROWTH.

AND IT SOUNDS PRETTY GOOD.

CRUNCH

END

WHOOSH

SHLRP

SHLRP

...THE MORE HE SUCKS UP ITS POWER TO MAKE HIMSELF STRONGER.

THE MORE HE HITS HIS TARGET...

DRAIN.

THAT IS THE POWER OF CENTRALIAN.

ZZZT

KA-FWOOM

BUT CONSIDERING HOW BIG THIS GUY IS...

...I BET YOU'LL GET A LOT OUT OF PUNCHING HIM!

YOU'LL GET EVEN STRONGER!

HMPH.

UP CRUMBLE

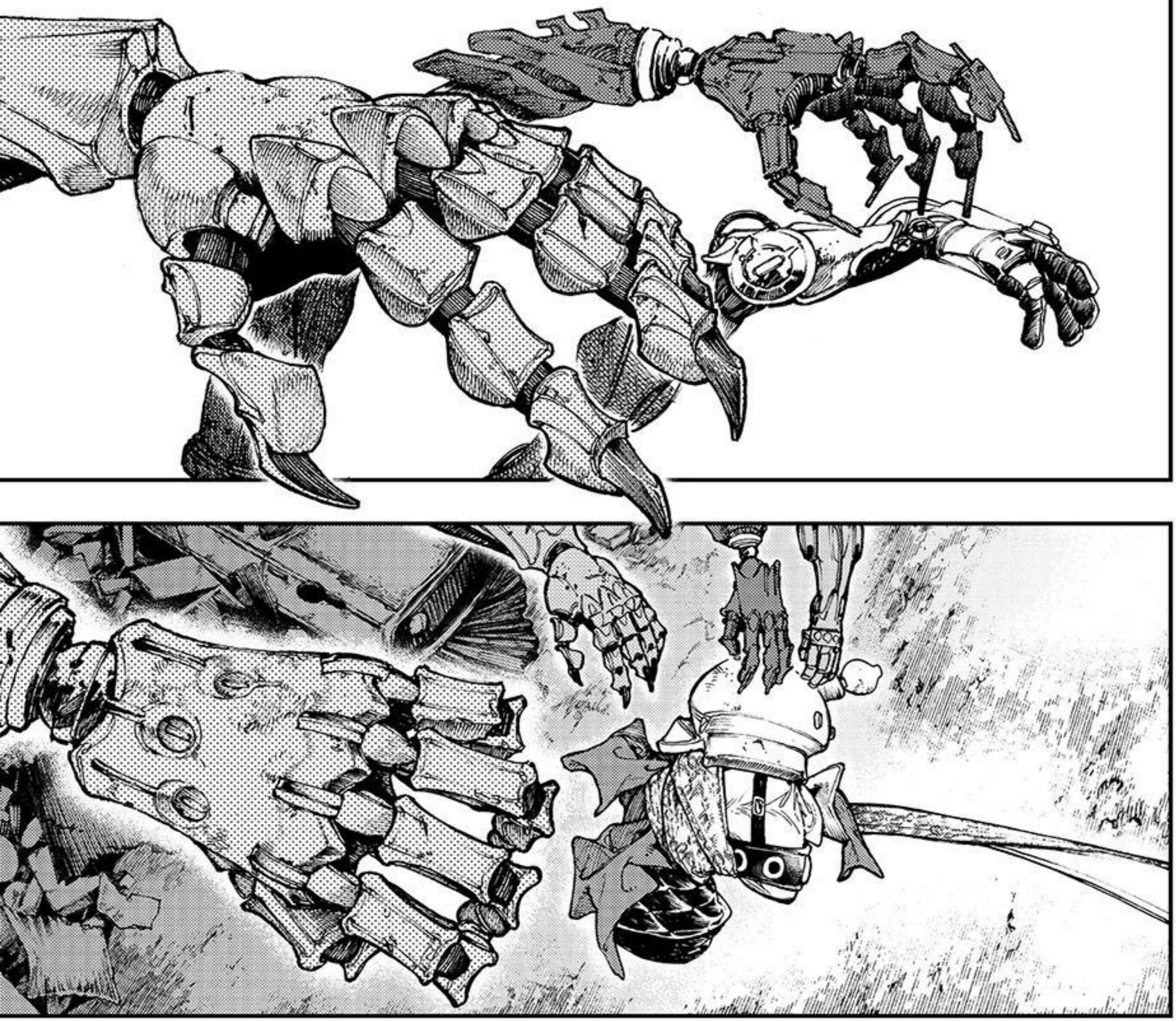
AW, MAN. I GUESS WE'RE STILL A WAYS AWAY FROM THE TRASH BEAST'S EXOSKEL-ETON.

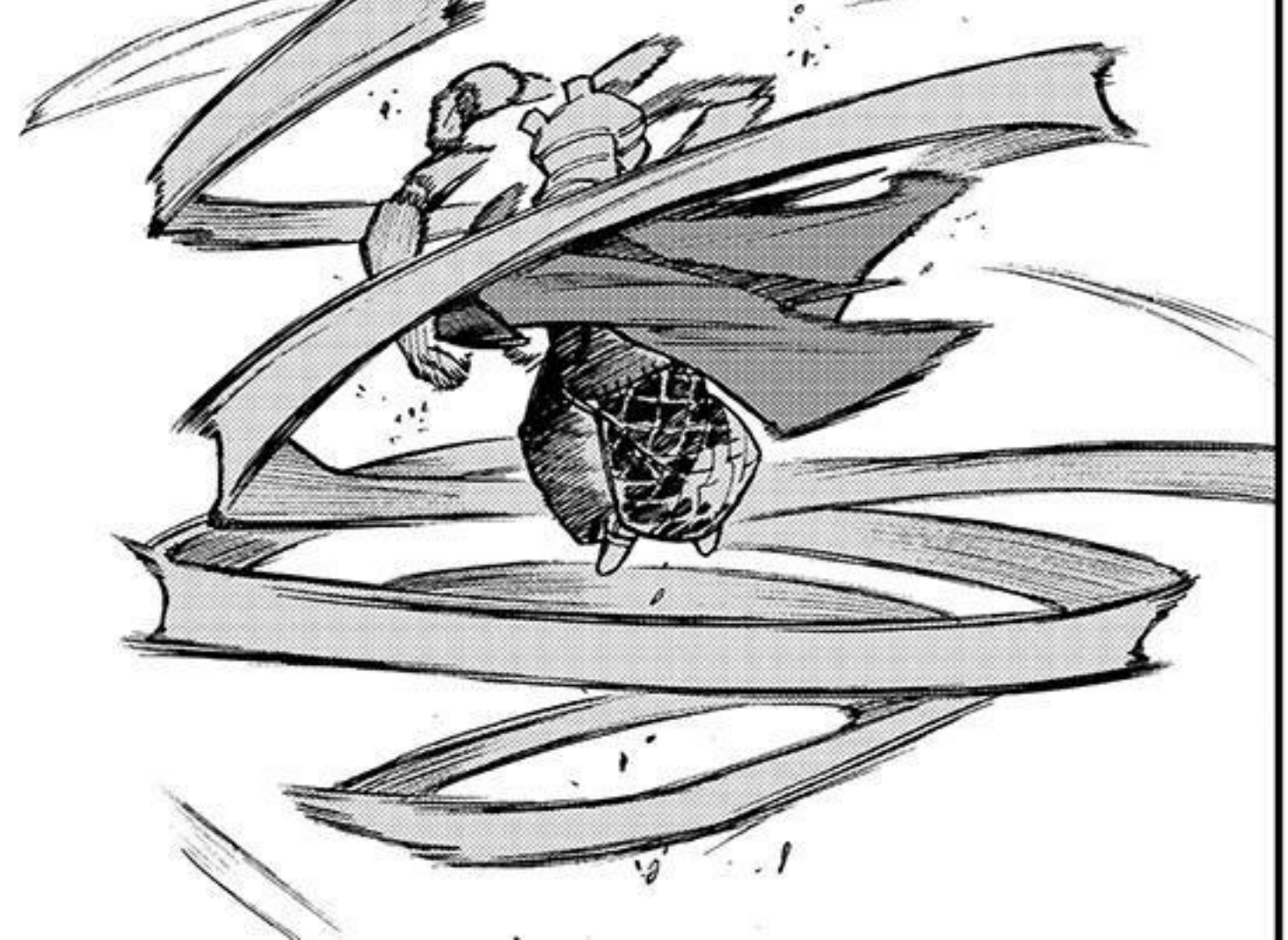
IN THAT CASE, I WILL STOP THAT GROWTH WITH MY OWN HANDS.

HOO HA HA HA !!

NOT BAD, DEARIE BOY! SO YOU USE YOUR PACIFIER TO SUCK UP ENERGY.

INTER-ESTING!





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VITAL INSTRUMENT: HANDS!

MY GOAL IS TO STOP YOU.

I LIKE THE WAY THIS IS GOING.

IF ALL GOES WELL, I'LL GET MY **HANDS** ON THE VICTORY AND A LITTLE **PRIZE.**

YOU TWO WANT TO CLEAN UP THE TRASH BEAST AND ESCAPE FROM HERE.

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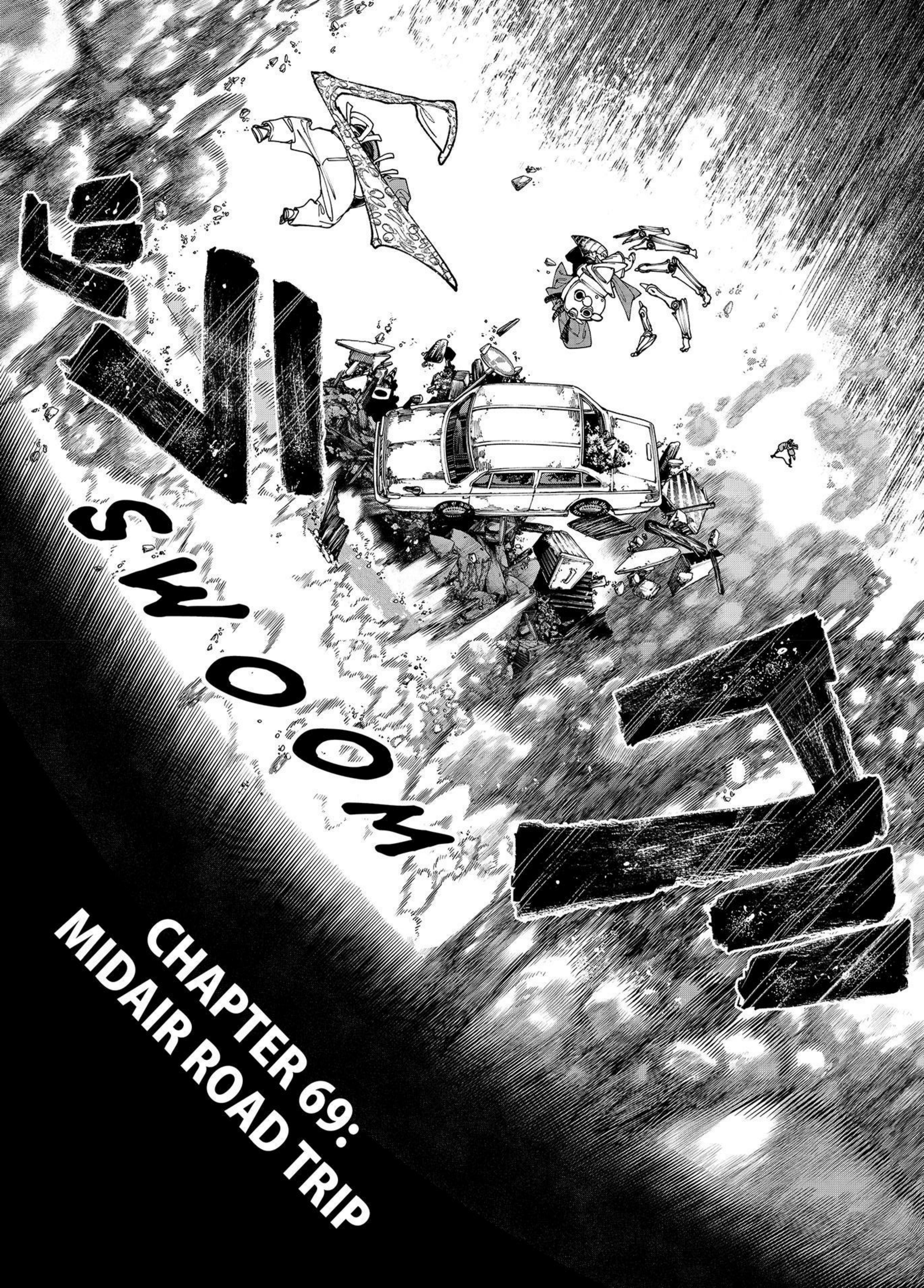

CHAPTER 69: MIDAIR ROAD TRIP

WHAT?!

HUH ?!

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ON SECOND THOUGHT, I DON'T LIKE THE WAY THIS IS GOING!!!

SORRY!!

LOOKS LIKE EVERY-THING'S SET...

...AND WE'RE READY TO FLY!!

WE'RE HEADED STRAIGHT FOR THAT MIDAIR BORDER...

...WHERE DEATH WILL SORT US ALL OUT!

DEAR ...!!

WE'RE GONNA HAVE TO SETTLE THIS BEFORE WE GET THERE.

TWANG

THERE'S NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT!!

KI

WE'RE GONNA BUST THROUGH HERE AND ALL GO HOME TOGETH-ER!!

LISTEN TO ME, DEAR!!

CATCH

JUST LIKE WE DID THAT DAY!!

MUH !!

AND I TOLD YOU, I'M GOING TO STOP YOU.

!

I WANT MY PRIZE.

TEP

TEP

TEP

ZWOOM

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SO GIVE ME THE WIN!

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HUH?

A CAR?!

WE'RE RIDING A CAR?!!

LOOK OUT!

MOVE!!

WHOA WHOA WHOA!

WHAAAA?!

MOVE, QUICK!!

UH!

BUT.

HUH?!

UP AHEAD!!

THERE'S SOME-THING COMING!!

SMASH

I REFUSE TO LET THIS MIRACLE KILL ME!!!

UUUGH!!

POW

YOU'RE SO DEMANDING!! WE WOULDN'T BE IN THIS MESS IF NOT FOR YOU PEOPLE!!

NOW STEER THE DADBURN CAR!!

AND TAKE US INTO THAT GIANT PIPE!!

GARG GARG GARG GARG

TWANG

HUH?

SWOOSH

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HUH?

HUH?

HUH?

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WHUMP

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ROLL ROLL ROLL

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HUFF HUFF

HUFF

HUFF HUFF

WHOA, WAIT A MINUTE, WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA, ROAD-TRIPPING WITH A RAIDER!!

ENJIN?! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

HMPH-

ACK!

...

CHAPTER 70: ENSIGN

HEY, KID. DON'T POINT UMBRELLAS AT PEOPLE. YOU COULD PUT AN EYE OUT...HM?

FU?!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING OUT HERE, LYING ON THE GROUND LIKE THAT?

NGH...

MORE IMPOR-TANT-LY...

WHY HAVEN'T YOU DEFEATED YOUR OPPONENT YET?

...HE'S MEAN...

HE WOULDN'T ATTACK ME EVEN A LITTLE...

...BE-CAUSE...

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I TOLD HIM WHERE WE ARE...

SO I THOUGHT HE'D START FEELING LIKE FIGHTING AND POINT HIS VITAL INSTRUMENT AT ME...

BUT THEN HE SAID HE WAS GONNA LOOK FOR HIS FRIENDS, AND HE WALKED OFF AND TOTALLY IGNORED ME!

WHEL

YOU REALLY ARE A SAD, STRANGE LITTLE MAN...

GROSS.

AWW, BUT IF I ATTACK YOU, YOU'LL ATTACK ME BACK.

LET ME SEE WHAT YOU LOOK LIKE FIGHTING! PLEEEASE!!

NGAAHH!!

IF WE DON'T GET OUT OF HERE FAST, WE'RE DEAD!!

HUH?

TEP TEP

ENJIN! THIS IS NOT THE TIME FOR A LEISURELY CHAT!

DON'T PEOPLE DIE WHEN THEY CROSS THE BORDER?!

AND THEY'RE GONNA TAKE IT STRAIGHT ACROSS THE BORDER WITH ALL OF US INSIDE!!

THEY'VE GOT THIS TRASH BEAST FLYING!

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…OH…
SO
THAT'S IT.
THIS MIGHT
GET RUDO
BACK TO THE
SPHERE…
HUH?

DO THE OTHERS KNOW ABOUT THIS?

!

KRK

G-GRG

WE HAVE TO TELL THEM SOME-HOW...

ALL I CARE ABOUT IS GETTING OUT OF...

HOW SHOULD I KNOW!

HOW DOES THAT EVEN WORK ?!!

WAIT, FLYING?! THIS FREAKIN' HUGE MONSTER ?!

YO!!

EEP!

G-KRK

KRK

KRK

KRK

GRG

I FINALLY GOT THROUGH!!

WHAT'S HAPPEN-ING?!

IS EVERY-ONE ALL RIGHT?

STOP BABBLING AND TELL ME WHAT'S GOING ON! NOW!

YOU MAKE EVERYTHING FEEL SO MUCH BETTER AND THAT IS NO JOKE!!

WHY IS THAT A QUES-TION?

I'M WITH BRO AND DEAR, BUT EVERYBODY ELSE IS MISSING.

IN A NUTSHELL, WE'RE ALL INSIDE A TRASH BEAST.

WE'VE GOT TWO RAIDERS HERE AND WE'RE CURRENTLY FACING OFF...?

...WE'RE GOING TO FLY ACROSS THE BORDER AND DIE.

AND IT SOUNDS LIKE APPARENTLY...

SORRY.

HOW DID YOU LET A KIDNAPPING HAPPEN RIGHT UNDER YOUR NOSE ANYWAY?!

YOU ARE THE MOST USELESS PIECE OF JUNK!

WELL, YOU'RE CLEANERS, AREN'T YOU? CLEAN UP THAT TRASH BEAST AND GET OUT OF THERE!!

WHY WEREN'T YOUR CHOKERS WORKING!

WHAT'S MORE!

YOU'RE NOT EVEN UNDER-GROUND.

I DON'T KNOW.

WE WERE ALL SURE WE WERE UNDER-GROUND...

NO, NOT AT ALL.

...THEN YOU HAVEN'T GOTTEN THROUGH TO ZANKA OR RIYO?

FOR CRYING OUT LOUD...

JUST ADD ANOTHER QUESTION TO THE PILE.

I'LL FIGURE OUT A WAY TO GET OUR PEOPLE OUT OF HERE.

ALL OF THEM.

BUT YOU SAID THEY WERE MISSING. HOW WILL YOU FIND THEM WITHOUT YOUR CHOKERS WORKING?

I GOT THE NAME ENJIN FROM SOMEONE I OWE EVERYTHING.

IT COMES FROM AN ANCIENT LANGUAGE, AND IT MEANS...

PERSON WHO CONNECTS OTHERS.

TO BRING EVERYONE TOGETHER.

I WILL BE THE BANNER, THE ENSIGN.

...IS THAT THEY'RE EASY TO SPOT.

THE THING ABOUT UMBRELLAS...

THEY'RE HEADED YOUR WAY, TOO.

FINE.

THEN I'LL LET YOU HANDLE IT, ENJIN.

THANKS TO YOUR STATUS REPORT, WE WERE ABLE TO PINPOINT YOUR LOCATION.

THE BOSS TALKED TO HIS INFOR-MATION BROKER.

HE GOT ALL THE DETAILS WE WERE MISSING.

SO THEY'RE ON THEIR WAY NOW.

YOUR REIN-FORCE-MENTS.

GARG GARG GARG GARG

SNAP

CHAPTER 71: EVOLUTION

...A TRASH STORM COMES ALONG.

ONCE EVERY SIX YEARS...

AND TODAY IS THE DAY.

GRG GRG

ALL WE'VE DONE IS CHANGE POSITIONS SLIGHTLY TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN.

OUR TRASH BEAST VEHICLE WILL RIDE ITS WINDS AND TAKE TO THE SKY.

PATTER

IF I CAN AVOID IT,

I'D RATHER NOT MAKE YOU INTO AN OFFERING.

YOU CARRY SO MUCH INFORMATION ABOUT THE SPHERE INSIDE YOU.

COME WITH ME, AND YOU'LL GET YOUR TICKET TO THE SPHERE FASTER THAN WITH ANYONE ELSE.

YOU'LL MEET YOUR GOAL, AND THE CURTAIN WILL CLOSE ON YOUR PAINFUL TALE.

MAKE LIFE EASIER FOR YOUR-SELF.

BY COMPARISON, WHAT CAN THE CLEANERS DO?

IT'S ALL FUN AND GAMES FOR THEM, UNTIL SOMEONE PULLS THE RUG OUT FROM UNDER THEM.

ALL THEY EVER THINK ABOUT IS CLEANING UP TRASH BEASTS.

THERE IS NO END TO THEIR WORTH-LESSNESS.

RE-MOVE ALL WASTE.

HERE ARE SOME WORDS TO LIVE BY:

IF YOU HAVE ANY CONVIC-TIONS...

IF YOU HAVE A GOAL YOU WANT TO ACCOM-PLISH...

THEN TRASH...

...MUST BE DISPOSED OF.

WHIRL
I GAVE THESE GLOVES A NAME.

TWITCH

THE CLEANERS' BOSS TOLD ME ABOUT IT.

THEY HAD THIS IDEA TO REDUCE WASTE, AND RE-USE OR RECYCLE IT.

I GOT IT FROM PEOPLE OF THE PAST.

WHEN GARBAGE GOT TO BE AN ENVIRON-MENTAL PROB-LEM,

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THE PERFECT NAME FOR MY MOST PRIZED POSSESSION, RIGHT?

EVEN TALKING TO YOU WASN'T A WASTE.

IT HELPED ME SEE WHAT I HAVE THAT YOU DON'T...!!

...I GET IT NOW. WHETHER IT'S TRASH OR PEOPLE, NOTHING IS REALLY WASTE...

...OF COURSE.

I HAVE PEOPLE WHO REACHED OUT TO ME.

I HAVE FRIENDS.

THEY DON'T KNOW ME, WE'RE NOT RELATED.

BUT THEY GAVE ME A HOME.

I'M LIKE A PIECE OF TRASH WITH NOTHING GOING FOR HIM BUT RAGE.

ME—A SPHEREITE WHO KEEPS DRAGGING THEM INTO MY PROBLEMS.

BUT THEY DIDN'T TREAT ME LIKE A BURDEN.

THEY TREATED ME LIKE ME.

"SPHERE-ITE."

"SON OF A MURDERER."

"TRIBES-FOLK."

...THE CLEANERS ARE THE ONLY ONES OTHER THAN REGTO WHO SAW ME FOR ME.

ON THE SPHERE, ON THE GROUND...

BUT YOU KNOW...

THAT'S NOT ENOUGH FOR ME ANYMORE!!

I'LL NEVER FORGET ABOUT MY GOAL FOR REVENGE OR MY RAGE.

PWAH ぱっ

SO ANYWAY, THE POINT I'M TRYING TO MAKE IS!!

I WANT ALL OF US ALIVE, HAVING FUN!

I WANT

TO GET MY REVENGE WHILE LIVING MY BEST LIFE!

TURDS FOR BRAINS !!

SO MANY WORDS.

YOU'VE BEEN POISONED BY HYPOCRISY.

AND WASTEFUL GREED.

THEN I HAVE A PRE-DICTION FOR YOU.

YOU HAVE YOUR RAGE, YOUR FRIENDS.

I PREDICT THAT THE NEXT THING THAT WILL ENTER INTO YOU...

...WILL BE REGRET.

THAT A SOUL THAT HAS MUDDIED ITSELF FROM CONSTANTLY COLLECTING WASTE WILL EVENTUALLY WANT TO GO BACK TO ITS BEGINNINGS.

ONE DAY, YOU WILL LEARN.

WITH JEALOUSY! YOU WISH YOU HAD MORE FRIENDS LIKE ME!!

WELL I GUESS YOU'RE A LITTLE MORE MUDDY TODAY!!

GRAB

BUT WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

YOU KEEP TALKING ABOUT THESE "FRIENDS."

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WE'RE RIGHT HERE.

REALLY...
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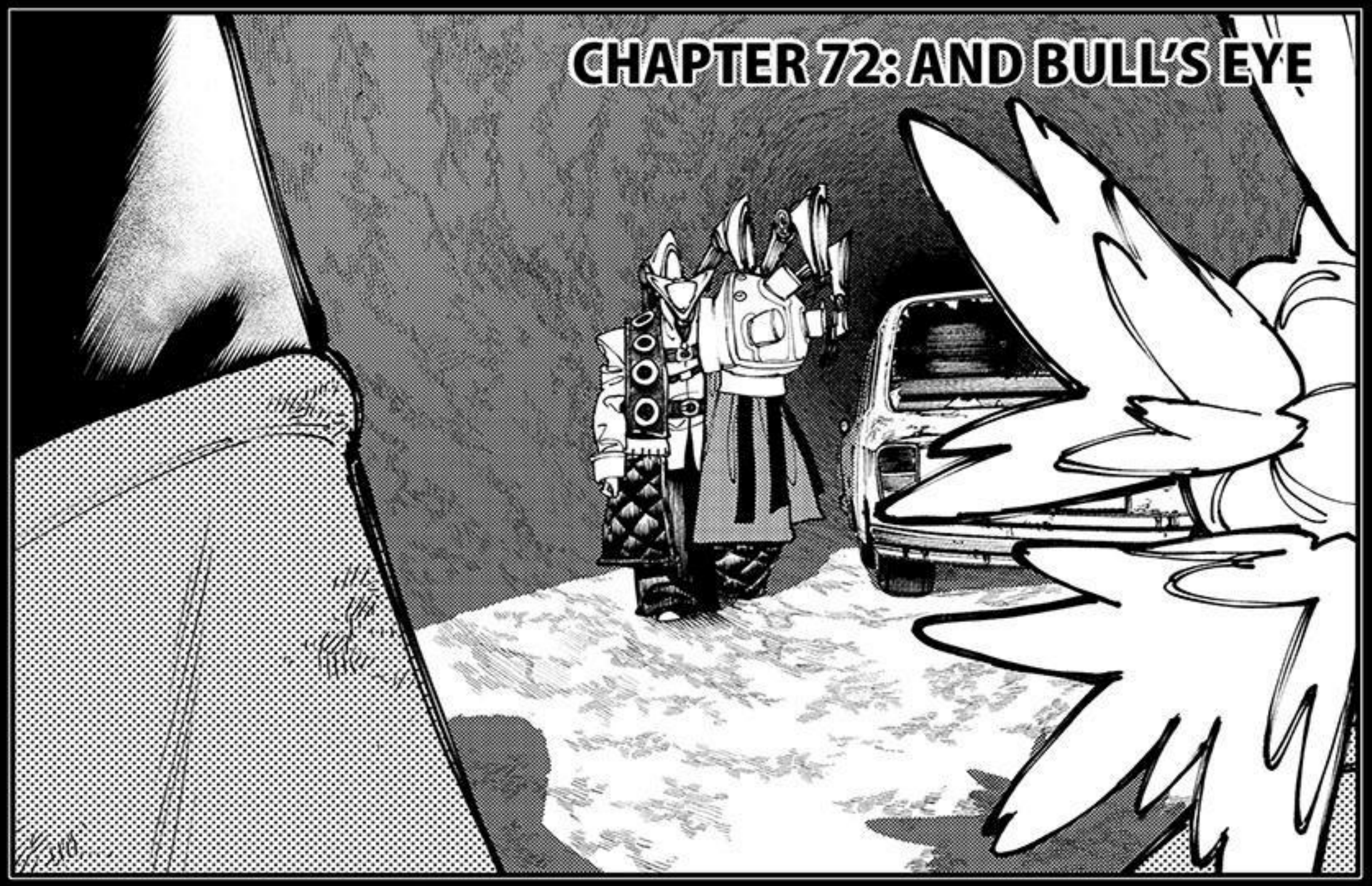
"I WILL BE THE BANNER, THE ENSIGN, TO BRING EVERYONE TOGETHER."


CHAPTER 72: AND BULL'S EYE

IT'S SURPRISINGLY EASY TO PUT ON A BIG FLASHY SHOW.

YOU THINK YOU CAN DO THAT INSIDE THIS ENORMOUS BEAST? SERIOUSLY?

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ZSHH

COULDN'T YOU USE THAT "ENERGY" OR WHATEVER YOU CALL IT TO GET YOURSELF OUT OF HERE?

DUDE, DID I NOT JUST SAY?

Z-
Z-
Z-
ZSH

I'M TAKING...

ALL YOU GOTTA DO IS PUT SOME ENERGY INTO IT.

CHAK

...EVERY-ONE!!!

BOOM

CLANG
KLONG
KLONG
HE JUST...
DID HE FIGURE OUT WHERE THE OTHERS ARE BEFORE HE RAN OFF?
WHOOSH
!!

NOPE!!

DO YOU CLEANERS HAVE SOME SORT OF TECHNOLOGY THAT LOCATES YOUR BUDDIES?!

ZIP

HE DID FIGURE IT OUT, DIDN'T HE!!

BUT HIS "HUNCHES" ARE USUALLY RIGHT!!

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HUNCHES?!

...BULL'S EYE.

AND...

ZSH

ZSH

ZSH

...YOU DRILLED A HOLE THROUGH THE TRASH BEAST TO GET HERE...?

BUT.

I'M SURPRISED YOU KNEW WHERE TO FIND US...

ALL THIS MEANS IS THERE'S ONE MORE OF YOU.

THANKS A BUNCH FOR MAKING THAT PATH, ENJIN. WE WERE PRETTY LOST.

GUITA?! SO **THIS** IS WHERE YOU ENDED UP...

...NNGH ...I HIT MY HEAD...

NGUH ...

...NOT WELL AT ALL! ZANKA, ARE YOU ALIVE?!

YO, I SEE YOU'RE DOING...

LOOKS LIKE MY FRIENDS ARE ALL ALIVE.

ZODYL.

AND THE CLEANERS ARE RIGHT HERE.

THE TRASH BEAST'S CORE IS RIGHT THERE.

I AM SICK AND TIRED OF YOUR SLOW AND STUPID EXPERIMENTS.

YOUR EXPER-IMENT IS OVER.

YOU KNOW WHAT I'M SAYING, RIGHT?

INDEED IT IS, RUDO.

FWAH

VERY SOON, I'LL HAVE MY RESULTS.

WE'LL FIND OUT EXACTLY WHAT HAPPENS WHEN WE CROSS THE BORDER.

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CHAPTER 73: RACE AGAINST TIME

FIGHT.

FIGHT.

PLEASE FIGHT...

GLANCE

GLANCE

GASP

DON'T TELL ME YOU...

HOLD UP...

OOF

I DIDN'T!!

THUD

STAAARE

...

TWITCH

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TWITCH

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TWITCH

I DIDN'T KILL ANY-BODY!!

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OOPS...

GETTING STEEP IN HERE...

THAT CERTAINLY TOOK LONG ENOUGH.

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RUMBLE

...FI-NALLY.

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YOU HAVE UNTIL WE REACH THE BORDER OF EITHER DEATH OR THE SPHERE.

NOW LET US BEGIN.

IT'S A RACE AGAINST TIME.

BUT THE POINT IS...

THERE ARE A LOT OF STUPID WORDS COMING OUT OF YOUR MOUTH.

FWOOM

IF IT'S POWERED BY VITAL INSTRUMENTS...

...THEN IT'S JUST LIKE THE ONE I SAW ON MY OBSERVATION FIELD TRIP!

...WE JUST HAVE TO STOP THIS TRASH BEAST, RIGHT?!

...AND CLEAN UP THE MESS!!

NAIL

RUMMAGE

THAT MEANS!

WE SMASH ITS CORE BEFORE WE GET TO THE BORDER...

GUN!

KA-CLICK

THEY'RE JUST LIKE BULLETS !!

WHOA!

...

WHOA, WAIT, WE'RE INSIDE A TRASH BEAST...?

POW
POW
POW
POW
POW
POW
POW

...AREN'T OVER YET.

MY EX-PERI-MENT...

...AND THEIR TRAINING...

I KNOW I DON'T LOOK IT, BUT THE TRUTH IS...

HI THERE, FOLKS.

I'M A ROOKIE.

I HAVEN'T COMPLETED MY RAIDER TRAINING.

I'M GOING TO LAY THE SMACKDOWN.

BUN-DUS?!

...HUH?

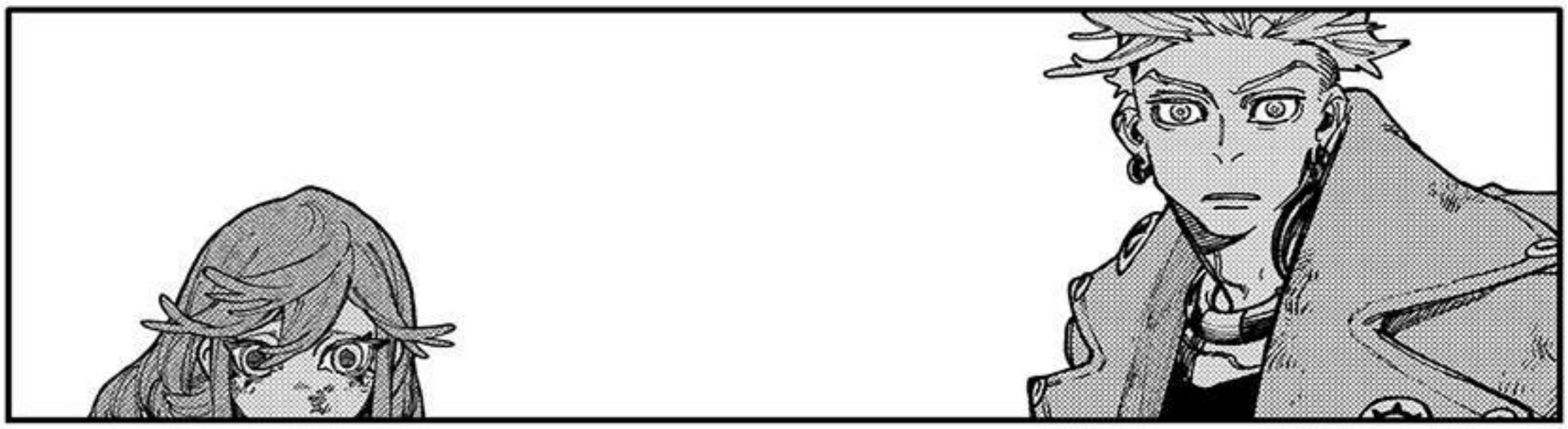
A ROOKIE?!

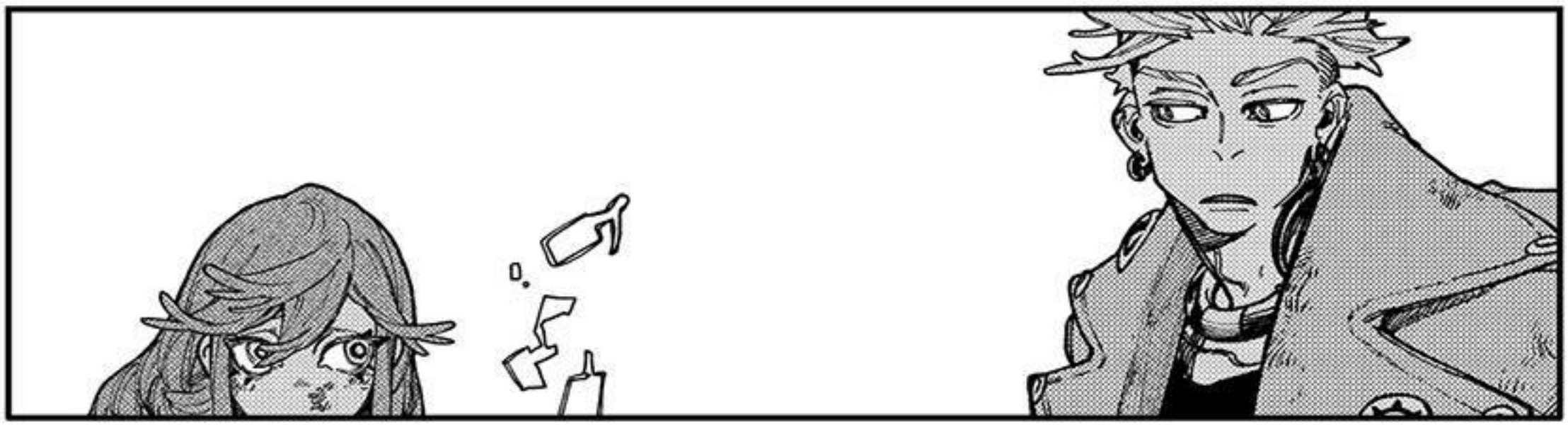
AH, HA HA. YES, I KNOW.

SO NOW IT'S ABOUT TIME I SHOW YOU WHAT I CAN REALLY DO.

IT'S LOOKING LIKE I TOOK IT A LITTLE TOO EASY BACK THERE.

THAT BEING THE CASE, FELLAS.





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DASH

WHOOSH

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WHOOSH

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GIVING EACH OTHER A HAND, EH?

THEN I'LL GIVE EACH OF YOU A HAND.

AN EXTRA PAIR OVER HERE?

I HAVE AN EXTRA PAIR OF HANDS, TOO.

AND IF YOU'VE GOT ANOTHER HELPING HAND...

BLAM

BLAM

BLAM

BLAM

...THEN SO DO I.

SURELY YOU'VE NOTICED. EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THEM IS OF EXCELLENT QUALITY.

MY VITAL INSTRUMENT HANDS IS MADE UP OF THE PROSTHETIC ARMS THAT HAVE BECOME A PART OF ME OVER THE YEARS.

...BEFORE WE CROSS THE BORDER?

...ESCAPE MY GRASP...

CAN YOU...

WAVE

WAVE

I STILL HAVE ONE HAND IDLE.

YOU SHOULD KNOW...

TMP

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WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?

THE OTHER ROOKIE IS STILL WORKING.

G-GNN

DONE?

ARE YOU...

PISS OFF.

I'LL LET IT END LIKE THIS...

OVER MY DEAD BODY!!

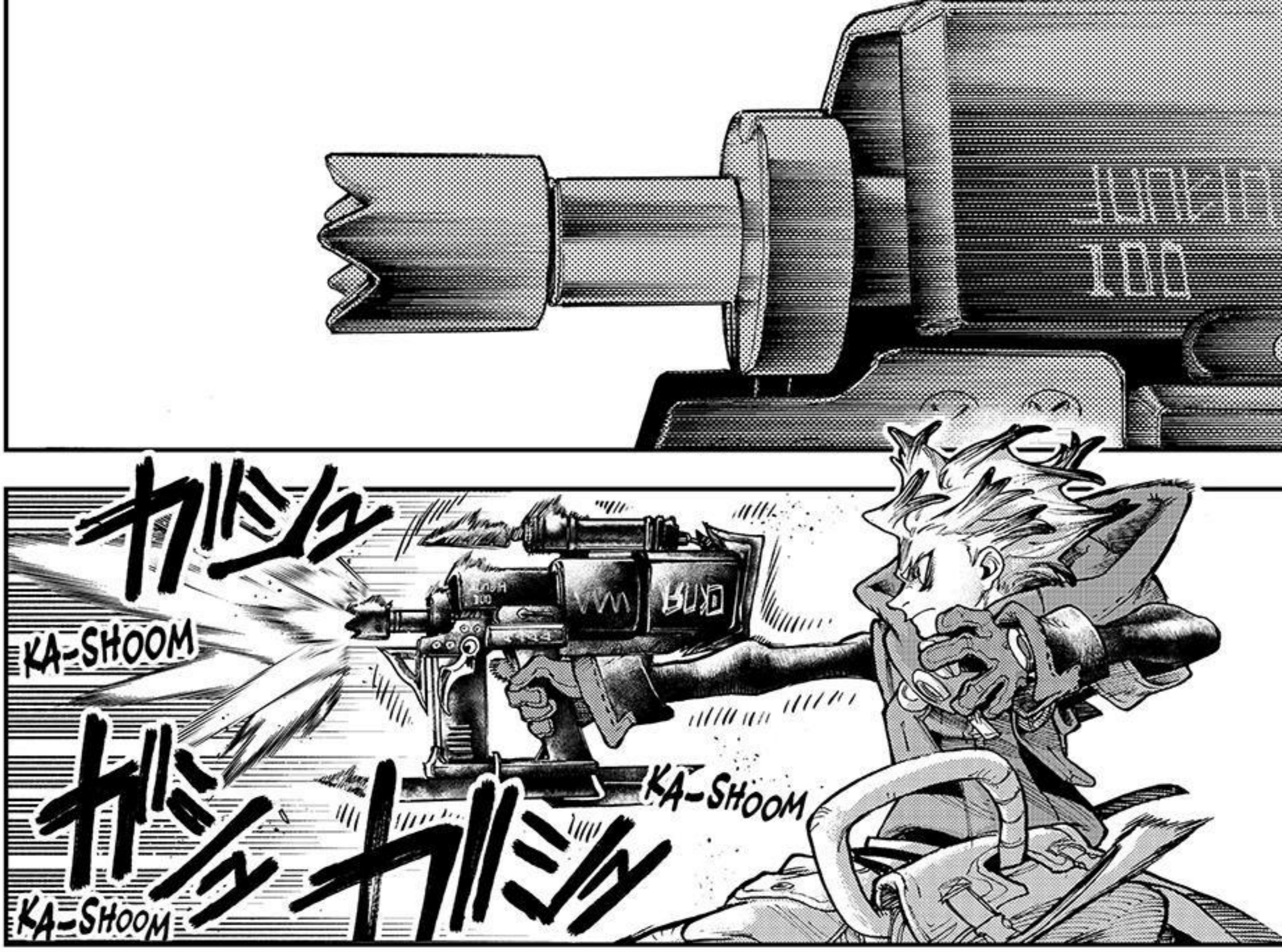
THE CORE.

...AND BUST IT UP!

GET TO THE CORE...

THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO DO!!

BUT I CAN'T REACH IT!!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THAT TURDFACE IS IN THE WAY!!

WE'RE GONNA ...

BREAK THROUGH!

FOR YOU...

FOR YOU, I'LL USE **THIS** HAND.

GITCH-

WHOA ?!

HAND NUMBER 3.

I WAS 20 WHEN I GOT IT.

THOSE WERE THE DAYS I HAD TIME TO **STRETCH** MY WINGS.

FINE!

I'LL CLIP THOSE WINGS!

KA-KRAK

AS YOU GET OLDER, YOU GET MORE CONSERVATIVE.

ONE DAY YOU KIDS WILL UNDERSTAND.

I GOT IT AT AGE 40.

HAND NUMBER 6.

SLASH

SLASH

HAND NUMBER 2.

I WAS 18.

HAND NUMBER 5. I WAS 35.

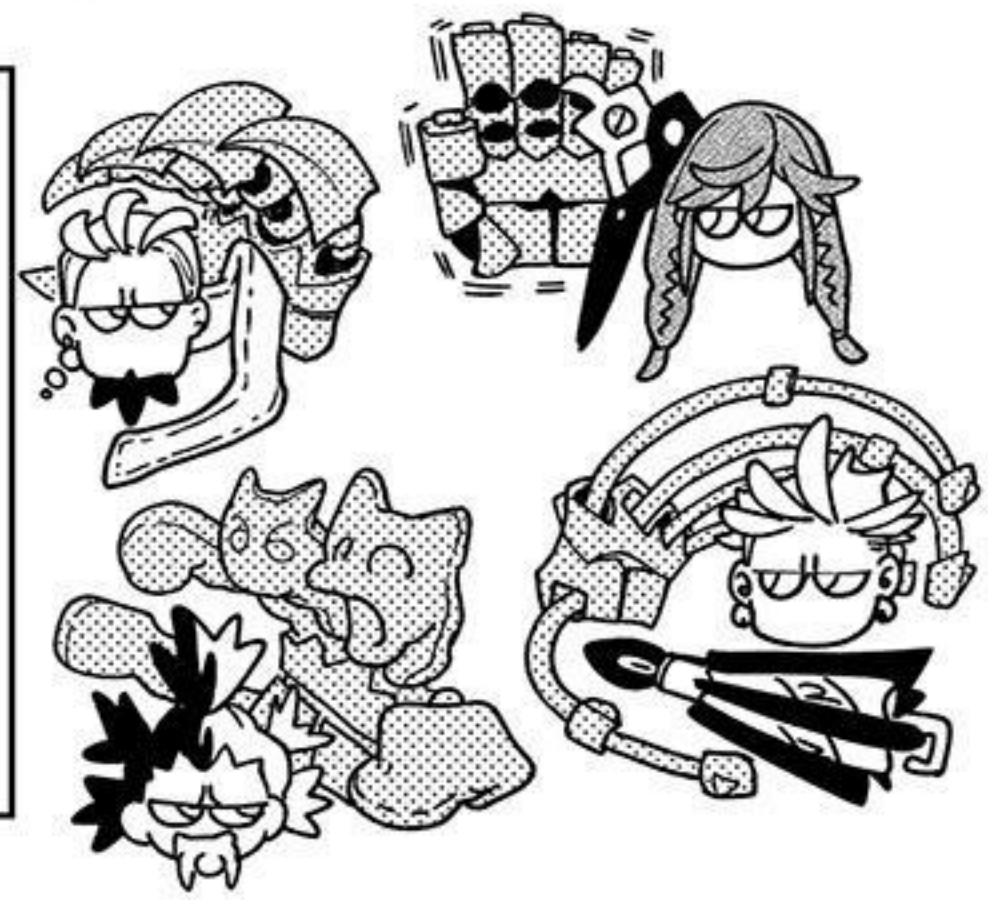
A LOT OF MY LIFE WAS UNCLEAR AT THAT AGE.

THAT WAS WHEN I WAS ALWAYS MAKING **CUTTING** REMARKS, HAD NO IDEA HOW YOUNG AND STUPID I WAS.

THERE'S NO WAY HE'S A ROOKIE!!

DANG... THIS GUY...!!

...AND PULLED OUT EXACTLY THE RIGHT HANDS TO COUNTER THEM!!



IT'S ONE THING THAT HE CAN FIGHT OFF ME AND DEAR, BUT HE FIGURED OUT ENJIN AND RIYO'S VITAL INSTRUMENTS PRACTICALLY INSTANTLY...

HE'S A VETERAN— A MASTER HAND...!!

IF ONLY WE COULD USE GUITA'S POWER RIGHT NOW...

THEN WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO GET OUT OF THIS MESS...

...

IT LOOKS LIKE THERE WON'T BE ANY PROBLEMS WITH BUNDUS.

IT IS RATHER RARE TO ENCOUNTER A WIELDER OF MULTIPLE VITAL INSTRUMENTS.

YOU'LL NEVER GET PAST HIM.

BUT AS LONG AS YOU THINK THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE UP AGAINST...

WHEN YOU'VE HAD A VITAL INSTRUMENT AS MANY YEARS AS HE HAS, AND ITS PART OF YOUR OWN BODY, THEN ITS QUALITY IS GOING TO BE MILES AHEAD OF THE REST.

I'VE COLLECTED JABBER.

HE SAYS.

"I ACTUALLY FOUGHT FOR REAL, SO I WANNA PLAY."

IT SEEMS HE STILL NEEDS MORE "REFORM."

I THINK IT'S ABOUT TIME WE LEFT THIS PLACE.

NOW THEN.

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THIS IS THE PERFECT PLACE TO SHOW OFF WHAT I CAN DO.

I REALLY APPRECIATE THIS, ACTUALLY.

I CAN'T GET PAST THAT TURD-FACE!!

NOT GOOD, NOT GOOD!!

NOT GOOD...

HOW MUCH LONGER BEFORE IT CROSSES THE BORDER ...?!

HOW FAR UP HAS THE TRASH BEAST GONE...?

NOT EVEN ENJIN CAN GET PAST HIM, SO HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO DO IT?!

YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO DIE WHEN YOU CROSS THE BORDER, BUT HOW EXACTLY?!

NO.

YOU'VE GOT IT WRONG, RUDO.

YOU INHERITED THEM!!

YOU GOT THESE 3R GLOVES FROM REGTO... ACTUALLY...

THEIR HISTORY, MY FEELINGS.

THEY'RE EVERY BIT AS GOOD AS HIS.

AND THAT MEANS...

I CAN BE STRONGER!!!

AND NOT ONLY THAT!!

THEY'RE MY TREASURES— I CHERISHED THE CRAP OUT OF THEM!!!

CHAPTER 74:
"POWER UP"

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A CANNON ...?!

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HUH?

CHAPTER 75: LOOSE CANNON

...THAT...

...WAS A NAIL GUN A MINUTE AGO... WASN'T IT?

I'M PRETTY SURE.

DO YOU THINK HE ALREADY PULLED OUT A NEW PIECE OF TRASH...?

...NO.

LOOKS LIKE HE'S PLANNING TO STICK TO THE NAIL GUN THIS TIME.

HE IS?

AND WAIT– HOW DO YOU KNOW?

RUDO'S POWER IS TO WEAPONIZE AND REUSE...

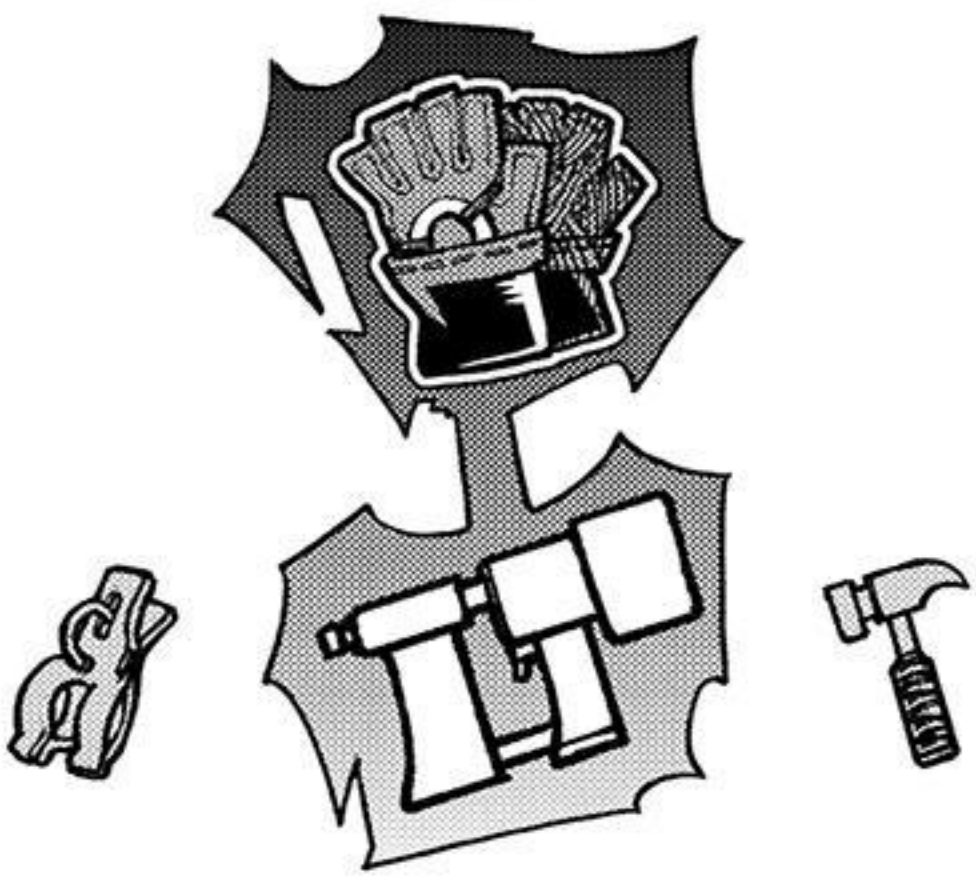
...UP TO THREE PIECES OF TRASH OR BROKEN OBJECTS.

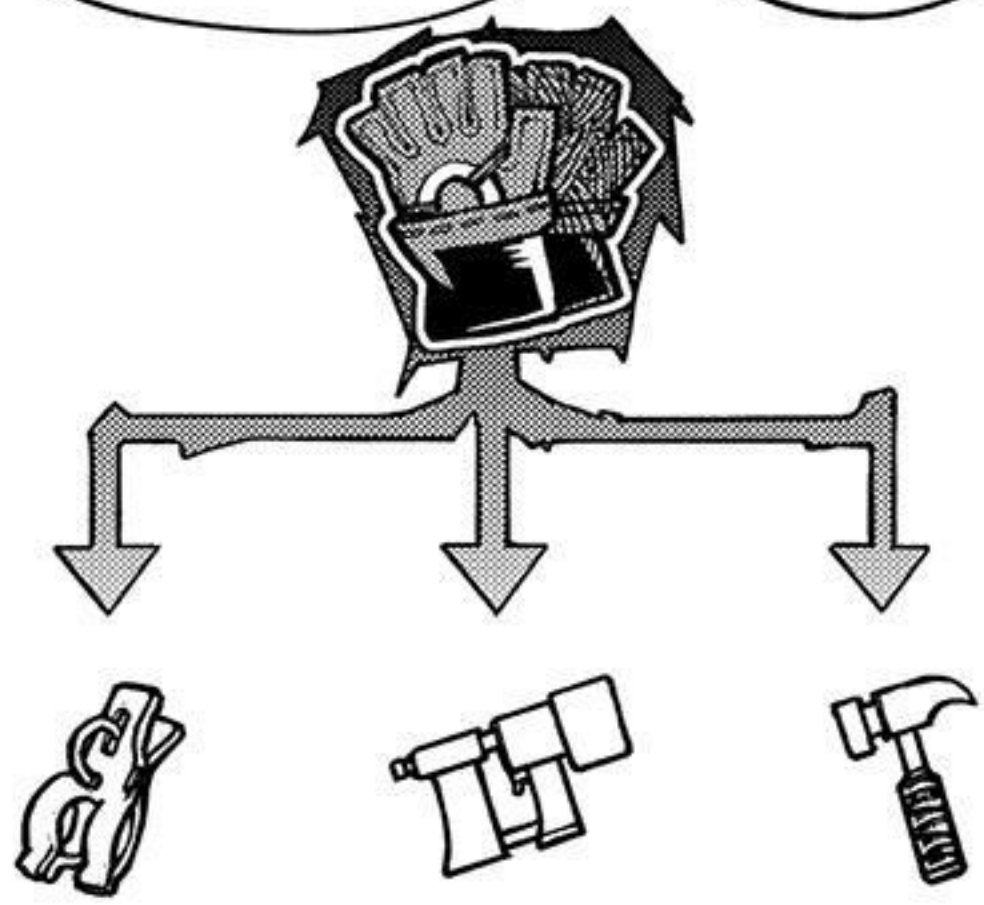
BUT...

IF HE FOCUSES ALL OF THAT INTO ONE PIECE OF TRASH...

BUT THE REASON HE'S BEEN WEAPONIZING MULTIPLE THINGS IS THAT HE'S SPLITTING THE 3R GLOVES' POWER, AND USING IT ON DIFFERENT OBJECTS.

RUDO PROBABLY DOESN'T REALIZE HE'S DOING IT.





RIGHT NOW, THAT THOUGHT...

...IS THE FURTHEST THING FROM HIS MIND.

ARE YOU SERIOUS ?!

IF HE DOES THAT, WON'T IT KNOCK HIM OUT AGAIN AFTER JUST ONE USE...?

HE DOESN'T CARE WHAT USING TOO MUCH POWER IS GONNA DO TO HIM...

BUT RIGHT NOW...

...NOTHING COULD BE MORE DANGEROUS!!

HE'S GREEN... HIS MIND AND HIS BEHAVIOR ARE SO IMMATURE...

HE'S USING ALL OF HIS POWER **RIGHT NOW,** WITHOUT ANY THOUGHT FOR WHAT WILL HAPPEN LATER?!

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BECAUSE IT'S SO HARD TO STOP PEOPLE...

...WHEN THEY'RE DOING SOMETHING STUPID!!

SWORD

WOULD YOU...!

KA-KLONG

JUST MOVE ALREADY!!!!

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HRRRNGH!!!

AAAAHH!!

BUT...

THAT... PACKS A PUNCH!!

...YOU'RE STILL GREEN!

MORE!

ONE!

SHOT!

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MY HANDS...

...MY...

CHAPTER 76: BEAST, BREAKTHROUGH

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NOW HE JUST HAS TO HIT THE CORE AND...

BUT HE STILL TOOK DOWN THE OLD DUDE.

IF IT HAD JUST BEEN A TEENY BIT MORE TO THE LEFT, HE WOULD HAVE HAD IT!!

SO CLOSE ...!!

HUFF

HUFF

HUFF

RUDO...

IT'S NEVER EASY...

EVERY TIME.

EVERY SINGLE TIME I SEE IT.

EVEN KNOWING I CAN FIX IT, IT HURTS TO SEE SOMETHING FALL APART WHEN IT MEANS SO MUCH TO ME.

IT GETS ME RIGHT IN THE HEART.

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RUDO.
DUDE.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, FEELING BAD FOR THE OTHER GUY'S STUFF?

YOU MAY COME OVER HERE NOW.

WELL DONE, BUNDUS.

BE-SIDES. IT'S ALMOST TIME.

I NOW KNOW WHAT YOU ARE CAPABLE OF.

...WHAT? BUT I DIDN'T ACTUALLY TAKE ANYBODY DOWN...

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I'VE CONFIRMED THE CHOKERS' FUNCTION-ALITY.

I'VE ASSESSED THE STRENGTH AND WEAKNESSES OF MY NEW RAIDERS.

I'VE EVALUATED THIS THING'S DURABILITY AND RIDE QUALITY.

WE HAVE NO MORE REASON TO STAY.

AND...

...I'VE DETERMINED THE CAPABILITIES OF ANOTHER PIECE OF THE WATCHMAN SERIES.

THAT IS VERY GOOD NEWS FOR ME.

WE'VE ALREADY MADE IT TO THE BORDER?

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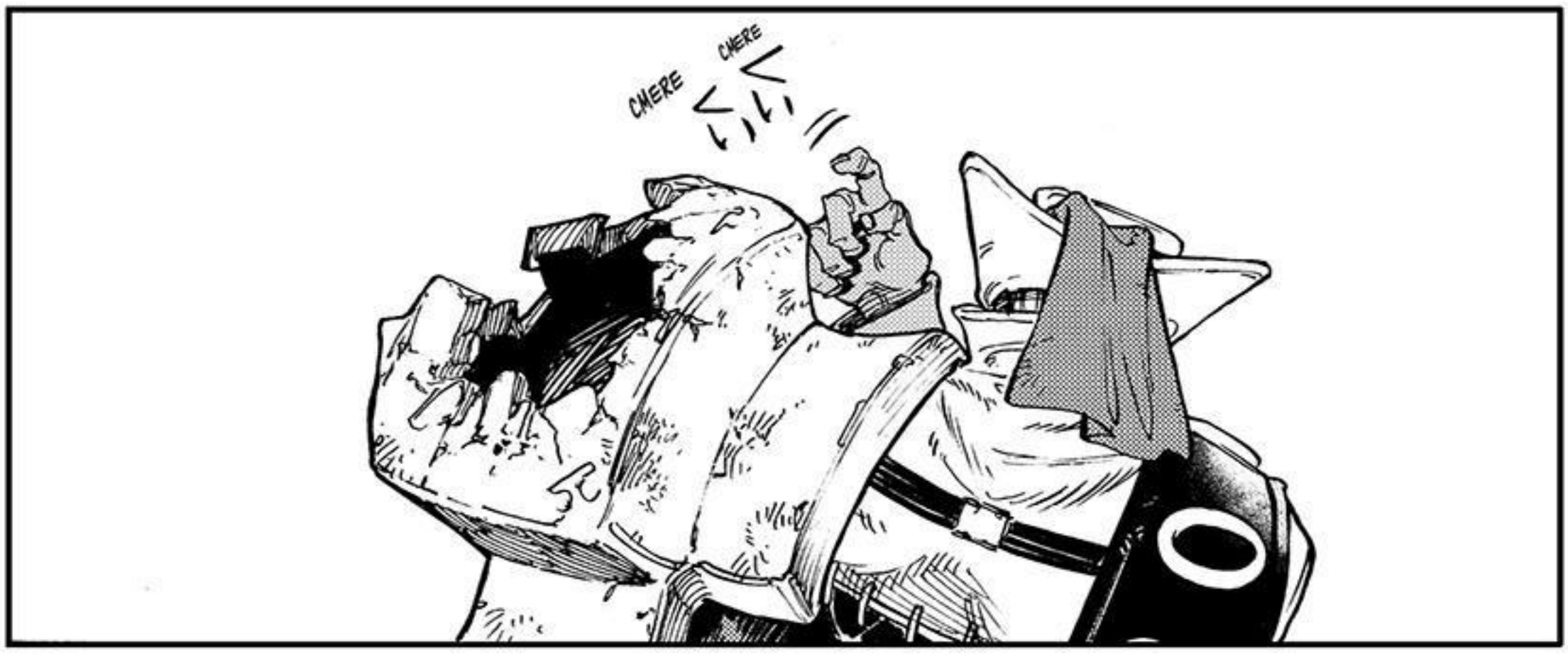
UPSY DAISY...

YOUR VITAL INSTRUMENT! IT'S...

...HEY! WAIT!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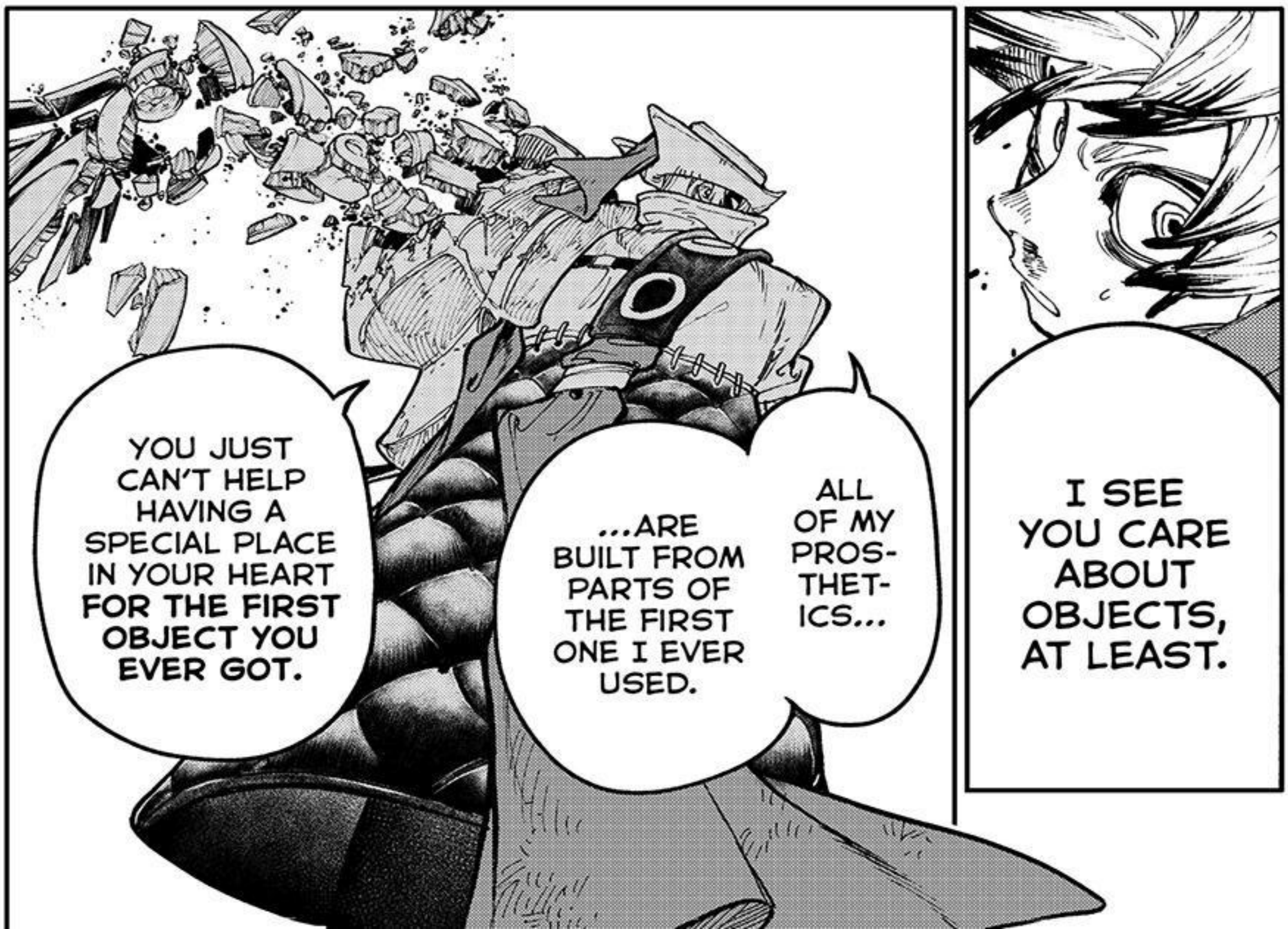
YOU JUST CAN'T HELP HAVING A SPECIAL PLACE IN YOUR HEART FOR THE FIRST OBJECT YOU EVER GOT.
...ARE BUILT FROM PARTS OF THE FIRST ONE I EVER USED.
ALL OF MY PROS-THET-ICS...
I SEE YOU CARE ABOUT OBJECTS, AT LEAST.

DIDN'T YOU HEAR ME BACK THERE?

I SAID I CAN FIX IT.

I MIGHT EVEN CALL IT MY VITAL INSTRUMENT'S "CORE."

I DIDN'T MEAN THAT!!

NOT WHEW!

NO!

...WHEW.

...

RUN AWAY?

THIS IS ALL ACCORDING TO PLAN.

YOU LOT ARE MERELY PART OF THE EXPERIMENT.

ARE YOU TURDS TRYING TO RUN AWAY?!

WOULDN'T YOU AGREE THAT IT MAKES LITTLE SENSE TO STAY IN THE CAGE WITH THE GUINEA PIGS?

YOU DON'T GET TO CALL ALL THE SHOTS!

IRRK

BUT WE NEVER ASKED YOU TO BRING US HERE...!!

IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT, THEN WHY DON'T YOU STOP YOUR INCESSANT WHINING AND DESTROY THE CORE?

NEVER MIND. IT'S TOO LATE.

YOU SHOULD HAVE MADE YOUR MOVE BEFORE OUR VERY MOTIVATED OTHER ROOKIE SHOWED UP.

ZAP

RIYO ...!!